

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

In re Application of

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Appln. No.: NOT YET ASSIGNED

Filed: December 21, 1999

For: LIGHT DIFFUSING PLATE, OPTICAL ELEMENT, AND LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY  
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanations:

The submission of the attached English language abstract along with JPA No. 9-274108 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of the reference.

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In accordance with Applicant(s) duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant(s) hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the following which the Examiner may deem relevant to the above-identified application:

1. Application of Minoru MIYATAKE et al, entitled "OPTICAL ELEMENT AND LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY", based on Japanese Application No. 10-376393, filed December 21, 1998 (Attorney Reference No. Q57339) filed in USPTO on December 21, 1999 (a copy of the application is submitted herewith)

The Examiner may consider this application relevant to the above-captioned application.

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